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Dear Director:

This communication is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 02/18/2004 (hereinafter "Notice") for the above-identified application. The Notice requests a replacement "Amendments to the claims," addressing all claims (previously canceled claims 1-91 were not listed). The replacement Amendments includes express cancellation of claims 1-91.

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